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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 15, 2006, a reply to which is due December 15, 2006, with a three-month extension of time filed herewith, please consider the following remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.